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CITY ALDERMEN VOTE AGAINST THE CURFEW LAW

Are to Ask General Assembly For Privilege to Issue \$15,000 in Bonds. Telephone Master Discussed

There was a special meeting of the board of city aldermen held at the city hall last night and many matters of importance were discussed. The first business of importance was an ordinance submitted by Woman's Christian Temperance Union and drawn by the city attorney with reference to the establishment of a new law for Washington.

The following resolution was presented by Mrs. H. W. Carter the president of the W. C. T. U., which was as follows:

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the city of Washington, N. C.

We, the undersigned, do hereby respectfully petition your honorable body to pass a Curfew law, prohibiting children under 15 years of age being on the streets after 8 o'clock p. m. without a written permit from their parents or guardians.

H. H. Seagriff, H. H. Seagriff, J. A. Sullivan, H. H. Seagriff, H. H. Seagriff, Nathaniel Harding.

A vote was then taken and the result was three voted favorably and four against. Those voting favorably were Aldermen G. J. Studdert, W. M. Chandler and J. G. Chancy.

Against: Joshua Taylor, F. C. Mathison, E. B. Coates and H. L. Jones. A bill was read to the board which is to be introduced into the present general assembly for the purpose of giving the city authority to dispose of bonds not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars.

Mr. Daniel Packard, the city engineer was instructed to draw plans for a sewer for the government building running from the corner of Market and Second streets to Bonner street and thence down Bonner street to Pamlico river.

One of the principal topics before the aldermen last night was the telephone question. The special meeting was called principally to consider this important matter.

When the Carolina Telephone Company first came to this city they were granted a franchise by the city for a term of years and were to charge \$15 a year for residence phones and \$30 for business. In the year 1901 their franchise expired and the company was merged into the present Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company.

On investigating the matter it was seen that the present corporation did business here for a period of two years without a franchise. In 1903

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That it fell upon deaf, unresponsive ears, speaks volumes for the young gentlemen, who immortalize themselves by their antagonism to this measure.

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GLEE SINGERS CHARM AUDIENCE

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The receipts during the past year amount to \$17,711.93, a gain of some thing like \$1,250 over the previous year's report.

The temple committee will report that the Masonic temple is in a very satisfactory condition.

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MR. WARD THE ORATOR

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Miss Lillian Bonner will have charge of the musical program. A most attractive and interesting program is being arranged by the Daughters of the Confederacy. Quite a treat awaits all who attend.

Mr. George Bennett of Durham Creek and Mr. Samuel Bennett of Washington were New Year guests of their brother, Mr. D. H. Bennett at Bunyan.

Mrs. E. H. Sheppard spent last week with friends at Jamaica.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lee of Small have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mason Allgood on Red Hill road.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Sheppard spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Woolard at Hall Swamp.

Mr. W. B. Singleton of Washington Mrs. A. J. Sheppard and Mr. F. N. Sheppard of Bunyan and Miss M. M. Cherry were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Ebeppard last Sunday.

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Don't Fail To Be On Hand.

BOWERS - - LEWIS COMPANY

Representative Honored. Representative John F. Latham, of Beaufort county has been named as chairman of the committee on justice of the peace by Speaker Dowd of the North Carolina house of representatives. He is also on the committee on agriculture and fish.

Representative W. A. Thompson is a member of the Judiciary Committee No. 2.

Only a few of the committees were announced by the Speaker on yesterday.

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